

Advanced Trauma

Life Support (ATLS)

The AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS (ACS) COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA developed the current ATLS program in accordance with the College's long-standing dedication to improvement of care for the surgical patient.

The program is designed for physicians and physician extenders who do not treat victims of major trauma regularly and who may not have immediate access to sophisticated emergency care facilities. Physicians treating trauma patients in emergency or surgical departments also benefit from the course training.

The program emphasizes the first hour of initial assessment and primary management of the injured patient, starting at the point in time of injury and continuing through initial assessment, life-saving intervention, re-evaluation, stabilization, and when needed, transfer to a facility in which the patient can receive specialized care, such as a trauma center.

Full Courses

March 3 & 4, 2006
Great Falls

April 20 & 21, 2006
Billings

June 9 & 10, 2006
Missoula

November 17 & 18, 2006
Billings

Refresher Courses

March 4, 2006
Great Falls

June 10, 2006
Missoula

September 15, 2006
Billings
(held in conjunction
with the
Rural Trauma Symposium)

Trauma

 strikes down its many victims swiftly and indiscriminately. In the first moments after someone has been severely injured, the primary care provider must act with speed, knowledge and skill.

This two-day student course consists of pre- and post-course tests, core content lectures, case presentations, discussions, development of life-saving manipulative skills, practical laboratory experience, and a final performance proficiency evaluation.

Course Content	
Lectures	Skill Stations
Course Overview	
Initial Assessment & Management	Simulated Patient Assessment & Management Scenarios
Airway and Ventilatory Management	Intubation, Needle & Surgical Cricothyroidotomy
Shock	Vascular Access & Monitoring
Thoracic Trauma	X-ray Identification of Thoracic Injuries Chest Trauma Management
Abdominal Trauma	Diagnostic Peritoneal Lavage
Head Trauma	Head & Neck Trauma Assessment & Management
Spine & Spinal Cord Trauma	X-ray identification of spine injuries Immobilization Techniques
Musculoskeletal Trauma	Principles & techniques for Extremity Immobilizations
Injuries Due to Burn & Cold	
Pediatric Trauma	
Trauma in Women	
Stabilization & Transport	
Written & Practical Skills Tests	Triage Scenarios

Registration

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Meetings & Education

Want to check course availability first? Check the **Meetings & Education** page of our website at: <http://MontanaEMS.mt.gov>

Select your preferences for a **FULL** course:

- 1st 2nd 3rd
- March 3 & 4 — Great Falls
- April 20 & 21 — Billings
- June 9 & 10 — Missoula
- November 17 & 18 — Billings

Register for a **REFRESHER** course:

- March 4 — Great Falls
- June 10 — Missoula
- September 15th — Billings
Rural Trauma Symposium
September 14 & 15

Enclose Registration: Registration is only guaranteed upon receipt of registration fee. (If course is full, you will be contacted about a prompt refund or eligibility for another course.)

- \$550.00 for Physician registration.**
- \$400.00 for Physician Extender Registration.** A limited number of physician extenders are accepted into each course. Physician extenders are non-physicians; (eg. nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant) who are directly involved in the management of the trauma patient. Physician extenders are not eligible for verification from the American College of Surgeons, but will receive a certificate of participation.
- \$125.00—for ATLS Refresher registration.** Up to four physicians will be accepted at each course for an ATLS refresher. Refresher candidates are only eligible for the refresher course 6 months before their expiration date to 6 months past their expiration date. Candidates will attend on Saturday for approximately 4 hours for an update on 7th Edition ATLS materials and written and patient scenario tests.
- \$150.00 for Auditor Registration.** New Category!! Up to four auditors are accepted into each course. Auditors are nurses, EMT-Paramedics and others who are involved in the management of the trauma patient. Auditors will be able to audit all lectures and skills stations, but will not be able to attend written and patient scenario testing. They are not eligible for verification from the American College of Surgeons, but will receive a certificate of participation.

Make check payable to “Montana Medical Association—ATLS Course”

Last Name:		First Name, Middle Initial:	Title: (MD, DO, PA, NP, etc)
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone:		SSN: (For ACS Records Only)	Specialty: (Surgeon, Emergency, Gen. Practice, etc)
Optional: Email Address (for quicker notification that you're accepted into the course and for other course related information as it's available.)			

Complete and mail along with check (**payable to MMA**), to:

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